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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 07/21/2010

To: Cyber

Attn: SSA [redacted]

From: Springfield

Squad 3/Fairview Heights RA

Contact: [redacted]

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Case ID #: [redacted]

Title: DOMAIN ASSESSMENT CYBER - CYBER INTRUSIONS

Synopsis: [redacted] the Hackers On Planet Earth (HOPE) Hacking Conference.

Details: [redacted]

Hackers On Planet Earth (HOPE) Hacking Conference in New York, New York. This event occurred from Thursday, July 15, 2010 through Sunday, July 18, 2010 at the Hotel Pennsylvania. [redacted]
[redacted]

This conference was attended by approximately 4,000 subjects with an interest in computers, technology, and "hacking". Most attendees appeared to be under the age of 30. Many of the presentations had anti government messages. The majority of the attendees and presenters possessed an attitude indicating that they were not in support of anything government related and professed a hatred for Federal Agents and Law Enforcement.

During a presentation titled "Informants: Heroes or Villains?", A panel consisting of [redacted]
[redacted] and Adrian Lamo discussed the current state of criminal hackers "snitching" on other hackers. The panel, with the exception of Adrian Lamo, vocally detested the idea of any hacker cooperating with any government official. Adrian Lamo defended his actions to

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[REDACTED] sensitive documents to the WikiLinks website.

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The audience of over 2000 people shouted obscenities toward Lamo and largely agreed that no one should ever cooperate with the government in general.

The vendor area of this conference was also well attended by the participants. Three vendors offered various lock picking tools including lock pick sets, bump keys, miniature picks, and hidden handcuff keys. One vendor, Serepick.com, offered a "Bogota Titan Entry Toolset" which consisted of miniature lock picks that were made of aircraft grade titanium which would not trigger an alarm at airport screening for metal objects. They also offered small, coin sized, plastic handcuff keys which could be concealed under a belt behind the back for escape from custody. Bump keys were sold in sets of five which would open most common locks made by Schlage, Master, and Quickset. Kevlar cord was sold in twenty foot spools for cutting through plastic or nylon flex-cuffs. Ceramic razor blades and folding razor saws were marketed with the ability to bypass airport screening due to the non-metallic components.

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There were no known incidents of criminal activity that occurred during the conference.

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